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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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(North Dakota) US refiners say North Dakota crude does not need special handling. Despite several fiery mishaps involving fuel produced in North Dakota's Bakken energy patch, cargo from the region does not need special handling when it moves on the tracks, the leading voice for U.S. refiners said on Wednesday.
<http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/434785/>

(Tioga) Workers trying to secure out-of-control oil well near Tioga. Crews worked to secure the Emerald Oil-owned Ron Burgundy 3-23-14H well near Tioga, North Dakota, May 12 after losing control of the well May 9 causing an unknown amount of oil, gas, and water to discharge. Officials are assessing volume estimates on the fluids released and reported workers stabilized the well and contained the liquids. <http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/434562/>

(North Dakota) North Dakota oil patch sex trafficking a growing, 'horrific' problem, agent says. The trafficking of women and girls as young as pre-teens is a growing problem in the Oil Patch, where law enforcement are dealing with a new kind of monster and advocates say resources are lacking.
http://www.twincities.com/nation/ci_25705650/north-dakota-oil-patch-sex-trafficking-growing-horrific?source=rss

(North Dakota) UAS-assisted ag research taking off in North Dakota. An unmanned aircraft took to the skies recently over a plot of land about three miles north of Carrington. The flights on May 5 and 9 were practice runs for a research project set to unfold this summer.
<http://www.inforum.com/event/article/id/435138/>

REGIONAL

(North Dakota, Minnesota) Hoeven: Deal reached on water bill for North Dakota. Hoeven said the Water Resources Development Act will authorize permanent flood protection for the Red River Valley and will block the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from charging for storage of Missouri River reservoir water. The bill is being circulated in a U.S. House-Senate conference for signatures and should be completed next week, Hoeven said.

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http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/hoeven-deal-reached-on-water-bill-for-north-dakota/article_c1affcf8-dae7-11e3-a3fa-001a4bcf887a.html

(Minnesota) Mexican Cartel Allegedly Hired MS-13 To Carry Out Torture

Operation In Minnesota. The Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area is a long way away from the home turf of Mexico's Sinaloa drug cartel, but that didn't stop three cartel enforcers from making their way up the region in an attempt to hunt down two teenagers they accused of stealing drugs and money from a stash house. <http://latino.foxnews.com/latino/news/2014/05/06/mexican-cartel-allegedly-hired-ms-13-to-carry-out-torture-operation-in/>

(Minnesota) 45 coal train cars derail near Pillager. Cleaning crews were on hand May 12 to clear the scene where about 45 rail cars from a 122-car train carrying coal derailed in Sylvan Township, Minnesota causing damage to the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway tracks. No one was injured and crews expected cleanup to be completed by May 14. <http://brainerddispatch.com/news/2014-05-12/45-coal-train-cars-derail-near-pillager>

(Nebraska) Severe weather whips the central United States. Tornado-producing storms passed through south central Nebraska May 11, knocking down grain bins in several counties and destroying a feed mill, while causing damage to area businesses. Sutton Public and Sutton Christian Schools were closed May 12 due to the storms. http://www.cnn.com/2014/05/12/us/severe-weather/index.html?hpt=hp_t2

NATIONAL

(National) House to Advance Bill to End Mass NSA Surveillance. A bill that would effectively end one of the National Security Agency's most controversial spy programs is finally getting its day in congressional court. The House Judiciary Committee will hold a markup of an amended version of the USA Freedom Act on Wednesday, a surprising and sudden move that would essentially nullify the government's ability to collect bulk metadata of Americans' phone records. <http://www.nationaljournal.com/tech/house-to-advance-bill-to-end-mass-nsa-surveillance-20140505>

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(National) Federal government acknowledges gaps in oil well inspections. The U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management (BLM) acknowledged that it failed to inspect oil and gas wells it considers high risk as noted in a Government Accountability Office investigation. The BLM failed to conduct inspections on over 2,100 high priority wells that require inspections due to the potential for water contamination or others environmental risks.
<http://www.post-gazette.com/powersource/latest-oil-and-gas/2014/05/14/Fed-govt-acknowledges-gaps-in-oil-well-inspections-2/stories/201405140186>

(Florida) Two U.S. health workers ill after MERS exposure; World Health body meets in Geneva. Two healthcare workers in Orlando fell ill and 20 others are being monitored after exposure to a Middle Eastern Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) patient, the second case in the U.S.
<http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/05/14/us-usa-health-mers-idUSBREA4C0JG20140514>

(National) Microwave popcorn recalled for potential metal fragments. American Pop Corn Co., of Sioux City, Iowa, issued a nationwide recall for three varieties of its Jolly Time Microwave popcorn because it may be contaminated with stainless steel metal fragments. <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2014/05/microwave-popcorn-recalled-for-potential-metal-fragments>

INTERNATIONAL

(Iran) Iran unveils American drone replica. Iran captured a US stealth surveillance drone in 2011, and started working to reverse engineer its own. Yesterday it unveiled what it claims is a replica, plus bombing capabilities.
<http://www.csmonitor.com/World/Middle-East/2014/0512/A-nightmare-becoming-reality-Iran-unveils-American-drone-replica>

(Thailand) Thailand court ousts PM, deepening political divisions. A court ousted Thailand's prime minister on Wednesday for abuse of power, accomplishing what anti-government demonstrators have sought to do for the past six months and further widening the country's sharp political divide.
<http://www.ctvnews.ca/world/thailand-court-ousts-pm-deepening-political-divisions-1.1809796#ixzz32B5Ok4q>

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(International) Feds issue emergency order on crude oil trains. The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) issued an emergency order to rail road representatives May 7 ordering them to inform State emergency management officials about large shipments of crude oil from the Bakken region of North Dakota, Montana, and Canada through their States, the amount being shipped, and the trains' county-by-county routes. The DOT also issued a safety advisory urging shippers not to use older model tanks in shipments of crude oil.

<http://www.dailyfreeman.com/20140508/feds-issue-emergency-order-on-crude-oil-trains>

(International) Rush to defend against Heartbleed leads to mistakes with certificates, patches. Netcraft released a report May 9 stating 30,000 sites that revoked their compromised SSL certificates after the Heartbleed vulnerability reissued new ones with the same private keys as the old certificate and that around 57 percent of sites vulnerable have not revoked or reissued their SSL certificates. <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2014/050914-rush-to-defend-against-heartbleed-281465.html>

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

(New Jersey) A Hackensack traffic stop leads cops to a fraud arrest. A man was arrested May 2 in Hackensack after a traffic stop led to a search of the man's apartment where thousands of blank payment cards, forgery equipment, and other suspicious items were found. Police stated that they believed the man is connected to a multi-million dollar fraud operation.

<http://www.northjersey.com/news/a-hackensack-traffic-stop-leads-cops-to-a-fraud-arrest-1.1010671?page=all>

(National) Sallie Mae reaches nearly \$100M settlement with feds over costly loans to military members. Student loan lender Sallie Mae reached two settlements with the U.S. Department of Justice May 13, agreeing to pay \$60 million to resolve charges that it charged military members excessive interest rates and agreeing to pay \$30 million to settle allegations that it maximized consumer late fee charges. Sallie Mae also agreed to pay \$6.6 million in civil penalties as part of the settlement.

<http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2014/05/13/sallie-mae-reaches-60m-settlement-with-justice-department-over-costly-loans-to/>

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(Tennessee) Former Fort Campbell assistant IG pleads guilty to ID theft, bank fraud. A former assistant inspector general with the U.S. Army Office of Inspector General at Fort Campbell pleaded guilty May 13 to committing bank fraud and obstructing justice by stealing the identities of other soldiers, obtaining bank loans in their names for his own personal use, and attempting to hide his fraud and cast the blame on a deceased officer.

<http://www.armytimes.com/article/20140513/NEWS06/305130064/Former-Fort-Campbell-assistant-IG-pleads-guilty-ID-theft-bank-fraud>

(California; Massachusetts; Wyoming) Former Subway franchise owner admits to POS hacking. A former owner of several southern California Subway restaurants and operator of point-of-sale device company POS Doctor pleaded guilty May 14 to selling POS systems to at least 13 Subway stores, using remote login software on the devices to load value onto gift cards, and then selling the cards online. The scheme involved a second man who previously pleaded guilty, and sales of POS devices to Subway franchises in California, Massachusetts, and Wyoming.

http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9248359/Former_Subway_franchise_owner_admits_to_POS_hacking

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(California) California firefighters gain ground on wildfires. Officials lifted an evacuation for more than 20,000 residents in and around San Diego, and 1,200 homes and businesses in Santa Barbara County after weather conditions allowed firefighters to battle two wildfires that broke out in the Rancho Bernardo area of San Diego May 13. At least 2 high schools and three elementary schools were evacuated May 12 as a result of the fires. <http://news.msn.com/us/california-firefighters-gain-ground-on-wildfires>

(California) Wildfires burn almost 10,000 acres in California's San Diego County. Over 23,000 San Diego County residents and businesses were evacuated due to

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least 36 wildfires that have burned almost 10,000 acres of land, 4 homes, and an apartment building since May 14. Classes at California State University, San Diego Unified School District, and other schools were canceled, the Legoland California amusement park was closed, 2,200 homes were without power, military facilities near Camp Pendleton Marine base were evacuated, and the offline San Onofre nuclear power issued a precautionary evacuation order.

<http://www.cnn.com/2014/05/15/us/san-diego-wildfire/>

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

(National) GM announces five new recalls covering 2.7 million vehicles. General Motors announced five recalls covering over 2.7 million vehicles in the U.S. for issues including problems with headlights and tail lamps, hydraulic brake booster malfunctions, and windshield wiper failures. The recalls include vehicles from model years between 2004 and 2015.

http://www.mlive.com/auto/index.ssf/2014/05/gm_recalling_27_million_more_v.html

(National) GM to pay maximum \$35 million fine for recall delay. General Motors announced that it will pay a record \$35 million fine to the U.S. Department of Transportation for illegally delaying the recall of model year 2003-2011 vehicles that had an ignition switch defect linked to deadly accidents. General Motors must also submit to increased oversight by the U.S. government as part of the settlement. <http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/cars/2014/05/16/gm-recall->

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Oklahoma) Logan County wildfire kills man who refused to leave home; 1,000 people evacuated. Fire crews reached 75 percent containment May 5 of a wildfire

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that burned about 3,500 acres in Logan County, Oklahoma. Several homes were destroyed and one man was killed while 1,000 residents were voluntarily evacuated. <http://kfor.com/2014/05/04/multiple-grass-fires-spark-across-the-metro/>

ENERGY

(Colorado) Martin Drake Power Plant in Colorado Springs closed after fire. A 4-alarm fire at the Martin Drake Power Plant in Colorado Springs May 5 left 1 contract employee with minor injuries, prompted the evacuation of employees, and the voluntary evacuation of residents in a 3-block radius, while firefighters worked to contain the blaze. The plant is closed indefinitely while authorities investigate the incident and determine the extent of damage. http://www.denverpost.com/news/ci_25699171/martin-drake-power-plant-has-heavy-fire-burning

(International) Enbridge says 796,000 bpd Line 4 shut down after power outage. Enbridge Inc., announced that its 796,000 barrel per day Line 4 pipeline which carries crude from Alberta, Canada, to Clearbrook, Minnesota, was shut down May 6 after a power outage due to a failure on SaskPower's transmission line which feeds two pump stations. <http://in.reuters.com/article/2014/05/06/enbridge-inc-pipeline-outages-idINL2NONS27220140506>

(Ohio) Shale well leaks during drilling process, forcing evacuations in Morgan County. The U.S. Environmental Protection agency reported May 6 that 330 barrels of oil and water were collected after a Morgan County, Ohio PDC Energy of Colorado-owned shale well began leaking May 4 while it was being drilled, forcing the evacuation of nearby homes. Some of the drilling mud reached an unnamed creek near Beverly after a pocket of unexpected gas was encountered during drilling, causing an overpressurization and failure of the well head. <http://www.dispatch.com/content/stories/local/2014/05/07/Morgan-County-fracking-well-leaking-since-Sunday.html>

(California) 10,000 gallons of oil spill on Los Angeles streets. Around 10,000 gallons of crude oil spilled onto streets and buildings in Los Angeles May 15 after a 20-inch pipeline burst at a transfer pumping station. The spill closed several

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roads, caused an evacuation at a club, and sent two people to a hospital due to respiratory complaints. <http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/50000-gallons-oil-spills-los-angeles-street-23727175>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(South Dakota) Hundreds of hogs killed in Pierre barn fire. Hundreds of hogs were killed in a May 4 fire at a Christensen Farms-owned barn near Pierre, South Dakota, that destroyed half of the facility. The cause of the fire is under investigation. <http://www.ksfy.com/story/25424641/hundreds-of-hogs-believed-killed-in-barn-fire>

(National) 23-state Salmonella outbreak from backyard poultry flocks. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention stated that a 23-State outbreak of Salmonella Infantis and Salmonella Newport is linked to contact with live poultry from Mt. Healthy Hatcheries in Ohio, a mail order hatchery linked to Salmonella outbreaks in 2012 and 2013. Sixty people were sickened by the recent outbreak, including at least 10 individuals that were hospitalized, with the onset of illness ranging from February 4 to April 21. Source: <http://foodpoisoningbulletin.com/2014/23-state-salmonella-outbreak-from-backyard-poultry-flocks/>

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Florida) Teen accused of accessing public school's database, altering grades. A Dr. Michael M. Krop Senior High School student was arrested and charged May 1 for taking money, illegally accessing the Miami-Dade Public Schools database, and changing grades for four students. <http://www.wsvn.com/story/25416383/teen-accused-of-accessing-public-schools-database-altering-grades>

(International) Area college student accused in government hacking. Officials believe an Illinois community college student and a member of the U.S. Navy conspired to hack into the computer systems of more than 30 public and private organizations including the U.S. Navy, the U.S. National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, as well as a number of universities nationwide. Investigators reported that the pair hacked into computer systems to steal identities, obstruct justice,

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and damage a protected computer.

<http://www.ksdk.com/story/news/crime/2014/05/06/daniel-krueger-government-hacking/8762447/>

(Virginia) Stafford County school partially evacuated after herbicide sprayed near air vents. Stafford County Fire and Rescue units responded to North Stafford High School in Virginia May 6 after 17 students reported feeling ill due to a strange odor in the school. The school was partially evacuated and ventilated for 3 hours while four students were transported to an area hospital after crews determined that a contractor had sprayed herbicide near the fresh-air intakes for the school's HVAC system. <http://www.wjla.com/articles/2014/05/stafford-county-school-partially-evacuated-after-herbicide-sprayed-near-air-vents-102859.html>

(Arizona) Chandler police: 16-year-old released to parents, no charges filed in bomb hoax against school. Chief Hill Academy in Chandler, Arizona, and a nearby apartment complex were evacuated for more than 4 hours May 6 after a student showed a threatening text message to the school's principal from another student. Police searched the school and found two hoax devices and took the student into custody after finding a third device inside his home. <http://www.abc15.com/web/knxv/news/region-southeast-valley/chandler/chandler-school-evacuated-after-threat-student-apprehended-with-possible-explosive-devices>

(International) Canadian 'swatter' locks down Fla. school on test day. A Canadian teenager was arrested May 8 by the Ottawa Police Service in connection with placing four false emergency calls from April to May to Melbourne High School in Florida, prompting a 3-hour lock down during one call. The suspect is accused of making at least 30 fake emergency calls after using Twitter to solicit targets around the U.S. <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2014/05/12/canadian-swatter-florida-school-lockdown/9003713/>

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

(North Carolina) UNCW server attacked exposing sensitive information. The University of North Carolina at Wilmington announced April 29 that a server which contained a database of personal information including Social Security

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numbers of employees, graduate students, and adjunct instructors was attacked, potentially exposing the information. The university removed the database from the server and is investigating the incident.

<http://www.wect.com/story/25379044/a-server-at-uncw-breached-during-an-attack>

(International) Syrian Electronic Army hijacks WSJ Twitter accounts. Hacktivists affiliated with the Syrian Electronic Army group gained control over four Twitter accounts belonging to the Wall Street Journal May 6 for a time before the owners of the accounts regained control. <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Syrian-Electronic-Arm-Hijacks-WSJ-Twitter-Accounts-440924.shtml>

(International) CryptoLocker ransomware moves to Android. A security researcher reported that an Android variant of the CryptoLocker ransomware is being sold by the group responsible for the Reveton ransomware. The ransomware is spread when users visit compromised domains that use social engineering to prompt them to install a malicious APK that contains CryptoLocker. <http://threatpost.com/cryptolocker-ransomware-moves-to-android/105937>

(International) CryptorBit demands \$500 Bitcoin ransom. A researcher at KnowBe4, LLC identified a new ransomware known as CryptorBit that encrypts victims' files and demands a ransom, similar to the CryptoLocker ransomware. <http://www.scmagazine.com/cryptorbit-demands-500-bitcoin-ransom/article/345713/>

(International) Digi ICS gateways vulnerable to Heartbleed OpenSSL bug. The Industrial Control Systems Computer Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) issued an advisory May 8 alerting users that five Digi wireless Web mesh gateways used in industrial control systems and home networks are vulnerable to the Heartbleed bug in OpenSSL. The vulnerability could allow attackers to obtain login credentials and private encryption keys. <http://threatpost.com/digi-ics-gateways-vulnerable-to-heartbleed-openssl-bug/105999>

(International) Point DNS blitzed by mystery DDoS assault. Point DNS reported a high intensity distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attack which knocked out all of its domain name system (DNS) servers for several hours May 9. The company

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believes the attack originated from China and is investigating the size and techniques used. http://www.theregister.co.uk/2014/05/09/point_dns_ddos/

(International) Microsoft extends deadline for Windows 8.1 Update

requirement. Microsoft announced that Windows 8.1 consumers have until June 10 to upgrade to Windows 8.1 Update before users stop receiving security updates on the former operating system, extending the previous deadline of May 13. <http://www.networkworld.com/news/2014/051214-microsoft-extends-deadline-for-windows-281502.html>

(International) Buffer overflows patched in Yokogawa control system products.

The Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) reported May 14 that Yokogawa Electric Corporation made patches available for three vulnerabilities identified in its Yokogawa Centrum CS3000 production control system. The Centrum CS line is used for several industrial uses such as in oil refineries, steel manufacturing, public utilities, and other manufacturing industries. <http://threatpost.com/buffer-overflows-patched-in-yokogawa-control-system-products/106074>

PUBLIC HEALTH

Nothing Significant to Report

TRANSPORTATION

(Wisconsin) **Train spills 4,000 gallons of diesel in Racine Co.** Racine County emergency crews were called May 4 after a train hit a piece of metal on the rail tracks in the Town of Waterford, causing about 4,000 gallons of fuel to spill, of which 2,400 gallons soaked into the ground while crews cleaned up the remainder. <http://www.jrn.com/tmj4/news/Train-spills-4000-gallons-of-diesel-in-Racine-Co-257919581.html>

(Montana) Highway 93 reopened after hours-long closure near Hamilton.

Authorities shut down a portion of Highway 93 in Hamilton for several hours May 2 after a trailer detached from a semi-truck and crashed onto the highway, leaking an unknown amount of liquid oxygen.

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<http://www.nbcmontana.com/news/highway-93-closed-in-ravalli-county/25780924>

(California) FAA says data from U-2 spy plane caused air-traffic computer outage. The Federal Aviation Administration reported May 5 that a conflict between the flight plan of a U-2 spy plane flying at high altitude and the use of visual flight rules confused the air traffic control system software April 30, causing hundreds of flights headed for southern California to be delayed while the system rebooted. <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2014/05/06/pentagon-says-u-2-spy-plane-was-in-area-during-la-airports-problem-but-flight/>

(Kansas) Severe storms cause significant damage, derail train. A severe storm with strong winds that moved through McPherson and Dickinson counties May 7 derailed 33 cars of a Union Pacific train, damaged about 800 feet of track, destroyed recreational vehicles and buildings, and knocked out power to about 650 people by damaging 12 light poles. <http://www.kake.com/home/headlines/Severe-storms-cause-significant-damage-derail-train-258395301.html>

(Colorado) Union Pacific line in Colorado operating after derailment. Union Pacific Corp., reported that a rail line near LaSalle was back in service May 11 after 6 rail cars derailed, including one that spilled 5,300 gallons of oil, May 9. No oil reached the South Platte River, and no injuries were reported. <http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/05/12/us-railways-union-pacific-derail-oil-idUSBREA4B0AP20140512>

WATER AND DAMS

Nothing Significant to Report

NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center:** 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 **State Radio:** 800-472-2121; **Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI):** 701-328-5500; **North Dakota Highway Patrol:** 701-328-2455; **US Attorney's**

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Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; **Bismarck FBI:** 701-223-4875; **Fargo FBI:** 701-232-7241.

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